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REMARKS

Double Patenting

Claims 1-3, 5-7, and 29 are rejected as being unpatentable over Claims 1-5, 7, 14-16, and 30 of U.S. Patent No. 6,001,112 and Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 21, and 60 are rejected as being unpatentable over Claims 1-5 and 30 of U.S. Patent No. 6,454,779 on the basis of the judicially created doctrine of double patenting. While Applicant does not necessarily agree with the basis for the rejection, a terminal disclaimer is enclosed to overcome the rejection. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Applicant respectfully submits that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, and therefore issuance of a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.


The undersigned has made a good faith effort to respond to all of the rejections and objections in the case, and to place the claims in condition for immediate allowance. Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the Examiner is respectfully requested to call Applicants attorney, Sabin H. Lee at (949) 760-0404, in order to resolve such issues promptly.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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